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AMENDMENT

S I R:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 26, 2002, please amend the above-
identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Amended claims 36, 44 and 49 now read as follows:

36. (Amended) An apparatus for resecting tissue within a body lumen, comprising:

an operating capsule including a coupling structure for selectively coupling to a